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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Elazar Rabbani et al.

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Title: NOVEL PROPERTY EFFECTING AND/OR  
PROPERTY EXHIBITING COMPOSITIONS  
FOR THERAPEUTIC AND DIAGNOSTIC  
USE

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Honorable Commissioner  
of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME**  
**(THREE MONTHS) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)**

Dear Sirs:

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for responding to the February 16, 1999 Office Action issued in connection with their above-identified application. The Patent and Trademark office is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 05-1135 for the requisite small entity fee of \$435.00 for an extension for responding within the three month period as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3). A response to the February 16, 1999 Office Action was originally due on May 16, 1999. With this extension request, the new deadline for responding to the February 16, 1999 Office Action will be extended to August 16, 1999. Accordingly, the accompanying Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115 will be timely filed.

No other fee is believed due in connection with this extension request. If any other fee or fees are due, however, authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of any such other fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 05-1135 or to charge any overpayment thereto. A duplicate copy of this Request is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,



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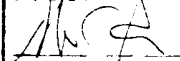
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